**EDC423 Partner Planning Activity for Book Launch:**

**Big Ideas and Preparing to Read**

Goal 1: To determine the big idea(s) in a children’s text

Goal 2: To create a launch for a text that considers engagement, big ideas, and purpose for reading

For this activity you will work with your partner and the given text.

* Read the text.
* Talk with your partner about the main idea of the text.
* Record your decision on the response sheet.
* Talk with your partner about the big idea(s) of the text.
* Record the big ideas on the response sheet.
* Thinking about the main idea, big ideas, and our discussion about engaging students in reading, create a launch for your text. This is a before-reading activity where you
  + introduce your book or topic to students,
  + engage students in thinking about the ideas, and
  + set a purpose for reading.
* Write your ideas for your launch on the response sheet.
* Each partner will conduct the launch with a different set of colleagues in your class. Please come prepared to *teach* your book launch as you would to actual upper elementary students, not just read from your planning sheet.
* After, submit a short reflection about your book launch.

**EDC423 Partner Planning Activity Response Sheet**

**Big Ideas and Launch**

Your Name: Your Partner’s Name:

Text:

Connection to Educational Standards (NGSS and/or CCSS)

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| --- | --- |
| Main Idea |  |
| Big Idea(s) |  |
| Launch |  |

**Post-Launch Reflection:** Was your book launch effective? Why/why not? What might you do differently next time and how would this make your launch even better?

**Reflecting on partner work:** What knowledge did you bring to the task and what did you contribute to your joint book launch plan? What knowledge did your partner bring to the task and what did she/he contribute to your joint book launch plan?

**NOTE:** Please TYPE your final plan and reflection. Each partner should submit your plan individually for a grade (the plan can be the same; the reflection should be your own).